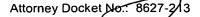


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This amendment is submitted pursuant to the revised amendment format that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has proposed adopting via a revision to 37 C.F.R. 1.121. For the examiner's convenience, an index of this response is set out below.

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